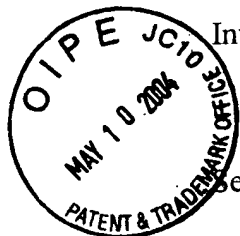


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Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

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The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for a two-month extension of time is \$420.

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☐ Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

A verified small entity statement:

☐ has been filed ☐ is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

- ☐ Declaration, Request to Correct Inventorship, Consent, disclaimer
- ☒ Response/ Amendment ☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief
- ☐ Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
- ☐ Sub Power of Attorney/Change of Correspondence Address

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